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FOR PARSONS, OFFICE OF OVERSEAS SCHOOLS

FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: SEDU, YE
SUBJ: GRANT FOR SANA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

REF: SANA 1140

1. SINCE MY CABLE LAST WEEK (SEE REFTTEL), I HAVE HAD
OCCASION TO GO OVER THE FINANCES OF SANA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
IN SOME DETAIL. THE CRUNCH IS ON. DUE TO RECEIPTS WHICH
DID NOT RISE AS HIGH AS WE EXPECTED, PROBABLY BECAUSE OF
LOWER ENROLLMENT FOLLOWING ASSASSINATION OF THE CHIEF OF STATE
AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR, AND DUE TO THE INEVITABLE
PROBLEMS WITH CONTRACTORS AND BUILDING COSTS, THE SCHOOL WILL
NOT BE ABLE TO COMPLETE ITS BUILDING BY THIS SUMMER WITHOUT AN
INFUSION OF CASH. WE HAVE EXPLORED, WITH LITTLE SUCCESS,
EVERY SOURCE IN THE FOREIGN AND LOCAL COMMERCIAL WORLD OF
YEMEN FOR HELP AND TURN TO YOU NOW IN THE HOPES THAT
\$150,000 CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE AS A GRANT AT ONCE IN
ORDER TO ALLOW THE BUILDING PROGRAM TO GO ON. SOME
\$290,000 IS NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE PROGRAM AND MUCH OF
THIS MONEY IS REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN CASH FLOW IN THE NEXT
3 TO 4 MONTHS WHEN CONSTRUCTION MUST BE FINISHED.

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2. I KNOW THE U.S. GOVERNMENT HAS ALREADY BEEN
GENEROUS AND THAT THE NEEDS OF THE SCHOOL HAVE BEEN
GREATER THAN EXPECTED. AS I OUTLINED IN MY EARLIER
TELEGRAM TO YOU, HOWEVER, THE VALUE OF THE SCHOOL IS
GREAT AND IT IS TANTALIZINGLY NEAR A LONG-SOUGHT AND
VERY IMPORTANT GOAL OF BUILDING ON ITS OWN LAND OF

ITHSOWN. I HOPE HELP CAN BE FOGND AND SOON.
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